

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: David Michael Hoffman

Art Unit: 2882

Serial No.: 10/748,612

Examiner: Midkiff,  
Anastasia

Filed: December 30, 2003

Atty. Dkt. No.139685

For: MULTIDETECTOR CT IMAGING  
METHOD AND APPARATUS WITH  
REDUCING RADIATION SCATTERING

**COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

Mail Stop ISSUE FEE  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313

Sir:

The following comments are in response to the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance in the Supplemental Notice of Allowability dated June 15, 2006.

Applicants believe that the Statement of Reasons for Allowance is improper as reasons for allowance are only warranted in instances in which the record of the prosecution as a whole does not make clear the Examiner's reasons for allowing a claim or claims (see 37 CFR §1.104(e)). In the present case, Applicants believe the record as a whole does make the reasons for allowance clear and therefore no statement by the Examiner is necessary or warranted. Furthermore, Applicants do not necessarily agree with each statement in the reasons for allowance and do not necessarily agree with the Examiner's interpretation of the teachings of the cited art.

Respectfully Submitted,



William J. Zychlewicz

Registration No. 51,366

ARMSTRONG TEASDALE LLP

One Metropolitan Square, Suite 2600

St. Louis, Missouri 63102-2740

(314) 621-5070